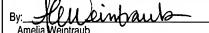
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In re application of:

Martins-Green, Manuela; Li, QiJing

Application No.: 10/012,194

Filed: 12/6/2001

For: Engineered Animal Tissue

Examiner: Qian, Celine X.

Art Unit: 1636

**AMENDMENT/RESPONSE** 

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

## INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 31, 2004, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks. The following documents are enclosed herewith:

- 1) A petition to extend the period for response by 2 months;
- 2) A Petition for Acceptance of Color Drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.84(a);
- 3) Formal Drawings (in color) for Figs. 1-25 (in triplicate);
- 4) Formal Drawings (black-and-white photocopied set) for Figs. 1-25.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.